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In re Application of:

Doris HUBLER et al.

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Serial No.: 09/719,221

Examiner: H. Nguyen

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For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMBINATION USED TO COMPENSATE FOR A
TESTOSTERONE DEFICIENCY WHILE PROTECTING THE PROSTATE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

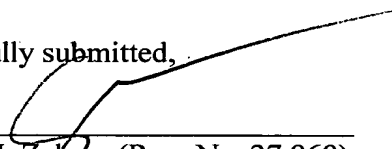
Sir:

Applicants elect component A₁, gestagen, with traverse.

There is a common technical feature in all claims, i.e., the androgen. Thus all claims should be examined.

Claims 1, 2, 3, 4 and 12 correspond.

Respectfully submitted,



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